



PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No. 15499.172.1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: van Nimwegen)
Serial No.: 10/052,164)
Filed: January 17, 2002) Art Unit
For: GROUND-ANCHORED BASE FOR A) 3711
PORTABLE BASKETBALL GOAL SYSTEM)
Examiner: Michael S. Chambers)
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 19, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims being on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 9.

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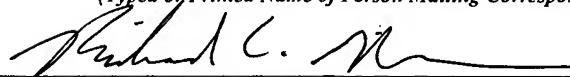
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This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of August 19, 2003 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: November 19, 2003 *Date* until: February 19, 2004 *Date*

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	37 -	45 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	4 -	5 =	0	x \$86.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$950.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$950.00

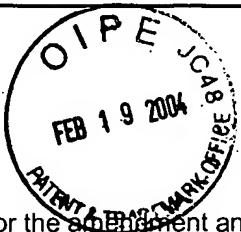
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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of \$950.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.

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The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178

- Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178



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Dated: February 19, 2004

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